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1. [] Talked to William Timmons, Assistant to the President for Congressional Relations, regarding S. 782 (Ervin bill) and explained our concern. I said I would send over background material providing additional details. Timmons said he would be glad to have his staff review the matter and would let us know the results.

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2. [] Discussed the S. 782 problem with Roger Jones, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget, who said he would pass the word to the Legislative Reference staff of the Bureau not to raise any objections to our proposed letter to Chairman Henderson without clearing it with Jones. Jones was not aware that the bill had passed the Senate.

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3. [] Discussed S. 782 with Ken BeLieu, Deputy Assistant to the President for Senate Relations, who was not aware that the bill had passed the Senate but recalled our earlier conversations on the matter and said he would discuss it with William Timmons.

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4. [] Called Wilfred Rommel, Legislative Reference, Bureau of the Budget, re S. 782 and explained that we were sending over today a proposed letter to Chairman Henderson with supporting material which we hoped would receive prompt attention. Rommel, who was not aware that the bill had passed the Senate, said he would follow up as soon as the material arrived.

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5. [] Made appointments with Representatives H. R. Gross, Lee Hamilton, Edward Derwinski and Richard White, of the House Manpower and Civil Service Subcommittee of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, to explain our problems with S. 782.

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7. [] Talked with the office of Representative William V. Roth (R., Del.) regarding their request to FBIS that the FBIS books formerly sent to William Sullivan, in the Congressman's office, should now be sent to him at his private address since he has left the staff. I explained the FBIS policy which precluded sending the books to Sullivan at his home and this seemed to create no problems for them. We will cancel these subscriptions.

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9. [] Handcarried to Victor Zafra, Bureau of the Budget, the Agency's proposed report to Chairman Henderson, Manpower and Civil Service Subcommittee, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, on S. 782. Zafra said he had already received word of Mr. Maury's call to Roger Jones, BOB, and in response to my question said that in the event they had not cleared our report by the time it was needed by Henderson, we could transmit it with the standard statement that time did not permit BOB clearance. He said, however, they would move fast on it and foresaw no problems in early clearance. BOB has not yet received reports on the bill from any other department or agency. I told him we understood that Henderson had requested the views of the Civil Service Commission and Department of Defense. Zafra was surprised to learn that the FBI had retained its full exemption and I suggested that Justice's views might still be desirable since they will be required to defend all suits generated by the bill.

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